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PRIOR ART STATEMENT

The attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office is respectfully directed to the references listed on the attached form. It is the opinion of the Applicant that these references are the most closely related prior art of which he is aware. Applicant does not, however, represent that a complete search of the prior art has been made or that no better art exists.

The references, it is submitted, neither anticipate nor make obvious Applicant's claimed invention. The patent references (United States and foreign) are discussed in the specification and that discussion is incorporated herein by reference. The literature reference is a review article dealing with chemical aspects of pro-drug design. It is hypothesized by Applicant that the compounds of his claimed invention wherein at least one of R_2 and R_4 is

-CH-O-C-Y

act as pro-drugs of the corresponding acid.

Respectfully submitted

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